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Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

- ☒ No additional fee is required.  
☐ The fee has been calculated as shown below.  
☐ This is an application of a small entity under 37 CFR 1.9(f), and the amounts shown in parentheses apply.

(1)	(2) Claims remaining after amendment	(3)	(4) Highest number previously paid for	(5) Present extra	(6) Rate	(7) Additional Fee
Total claims	7	Minus	** =20	* 0 x	\$50 (25)	= \$ (
Independent claims	4	Minus	*** =4	* 0 x	\$200 (100)	= \$ (
Total additional fee for this amendment						\$ (

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\*\* If the highest number of total claims previously paid for is less than 20, write "20" in this space.

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- ☐ This application contains a multiple dependent claim. The required fee of \$360(180) has been previously paid ☐, or is paid herewith ☐.
- ☐ This response is being filed within the \_\_\_\_\_ month following the expiration of the term originally set therefor. This is a petition to request a \_\_\_\_\_ month extension of time. A check covering the cost of the petition is enclosed.
- ☐ A check in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ is attached, which covers the cost of ☐ additional claims \_\_\_\_\_ petition for extension of time.
- ☐ Charge \$ \_\_\_\_\_ to Deposit Account No. 50-0320.
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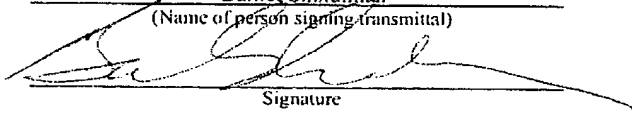
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**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.121**

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Sir:

In response to the Non-Final Office Action dated October 14, 2005, having a  
three-month statutory period for response set to expire on January 14, 2006, please amend the  
above-captioned application as follows.

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**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins  
on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 7 of this paper.